

Fill in this information to identify the case:

United States Bankruptcy Court for the:

Southern District of WV  
(State)

Case number (if known): Chapter 11

☐ Check if this is an amended filing

Official Form 201

Voluntary Petition for Non-Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy

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If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write the debtor's name and the case number (if known). For more information, a separate document, *Instructions for Bankruptcy Forms for Non-Individuals*, is available.

1. Debtor's name Ben's Creek Operations WV LLC

2. All other names debtor used in the last 8 years

Include any assumed names, trade names, and *doing business* as names

3. Debtor's federal Employer Identification Number (EIN) 8 1 - 3 9 3 2 0 8 6

4. Debtor's address

Principal place of business

109 Capitol Street, Suite 1000  
Number Street

Charleston WV 25301  
City State ZIP Code

Kanawha  
County

Mailing address, if different from principal place of business

Number Street

P.O. Box

City State ZIP Code

Location of principal assets, if different from principal place of business

Number Street

City State ZIP Code

5. Debtor's website (URL) https://www.benscreek.com

Debtor Ben's Creek Operations WV LLC

Name

Case number (if known)

**6. Type of debtor**

- ☒ Corporation (including Limited Liability Company (LLC) and Limited Liability Partnership (LLP))
- ☐ Partnership (excluding LLP)
- ☐ Other. Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Describe debtor's business***A. Check one:*

- ☐ Health Care Business (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A))
- ☐ Single Asset Real Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B))
- ☐ Railroad (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(44))
- ☐ Stockbroker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A))
- ☐ Commodity Broker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))
- ☐ Clearing Bank (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 781(3))
- ☒ None of the above

*B. Check all that apply:*

- ☐ Tax-exempt entity (as described in 26 U.S.C. § 501)
- ☐ Investment company, including hedge fund or pooled investment vehicle (as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 80a-3)
- ☐ Investment advisor (as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 80b-2(a)(11))

*C. NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) 4-digit code that best describes debtor. See <http://www.uscourts.gov/four-digit-national-association-naics-codes>.*2 1 2 1**8. Under which chapter of the Bankruptcy Code is the debtor filing?**

A debtor who is a "small business debtor" must check the first sub-box. A debtor as defined in § 1182(1) who elects to proceed under subchapter V of chapter 11 (whether or not the debtor is a "small business debtor") must check the second sub-box.

*Check one:*

- ☐ Chapter 7
- ☐ Chapter 9
- ☒ Chapter 11. *Check all that apply:*

- ☐ The debtor is a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D), and its aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts (excluding debts owed to insiders or affiliates) are less than \$3,024,725. If this sub-box is selected, attach the most recent balance sheet, statement of operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure in 11 U.S.C. § 1116(1)(B).
- ☐ The debtor is a debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 1182(1), its aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts (excluding debts owed to insiders or affiliates) are less than \$7,500,000, **and it chooses to proceed under Subchapter V of Chapter 11.** If this sub-box is selected, attach the most recent balance sheet, statement of operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return, or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure in 11 U.S.C. § 1116(1)(B).
- ☐ A plan is being filed with this petition.
- ☐ Acceptances of the plan were solicited prepetition from one or more classes of creditors, in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1126(b).
- ☐ The debtor is required to file periodic reports (for example, 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission according to § 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. File the *Attachment to Voluntary Petition for Non-Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy under Chapter 11* (Official Form 201A) with this form.
- ☐ The debtor is a shell company as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rule 12b-2.

☐ Chapter 12

Debtor Ben's Creek Operations WV LLC

Name

Case number (if known)

**9. Were prior bankruptcy cases filed by or against the debtor within the last 8 years?**

☒ No

☐ Yes.

District

When

MM / DD / YYYY

Case number

If more than 2 cases, attach a separate list.

District

When

MM / DD / YYYY

Case number

**10. Are any bankruptcy cases pending or being filed by a business partner or an affiliate of the debtor?**

☐ No

☒ Yes.

Debtor See attachment.

Relationship

District

When

MM / DD / YYYY

List all cases. If more than 1, attach a separate list.

Case number, if known

**11. Why is the case filed in this district?**

Check all that apply:

☒

Debtor has had its domicile, principal place of business, or principal assets in this district for 180 days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 days than in any other district.

☐

A bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general partner, or partnership is pending in this district.

**12. Does the debtor own or have possession of any real property or personal property that needs immediate attention?**

☒ No

☐ Yes.

Answer below for each property that needs immediate attention. Attach additional sheets if needed.

**Why does the property need immediate attention?** (Check all that apply.)

☐

It poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable hazard to public health or safety.

What is the hazard?

☐

It needs to be physically secured or protected from the weather.

☐

It includes perishable goods or assets that could quickly deteriorate or lose value without attention (for example, livestock, seasonal goods, meat, dairy, produce, or securities-related assets or other options).

☐

Other

**Where is the property?**

Number

Street

City

State ZIP Code

**Is the property insured?**

☐ No

☐ Yes.

Insurance agency

Contact name

Phone

**Statistical and administrative information**

Debtor Ben's Creek Operations WV LLC  
Name

Case number (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Debtor's estimation of available funds**

Check one:

- ☒ Funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors.  
☐ After any administrative expenses are paid, no funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors.

**14. Estimated number of creditors**

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-49             | <input type="checkbox"/> 1,000-5,000   | <input type="checkbox"/> 25,001-50,000     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 50-99 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5,001-10,000  | <input type="checkbox"/> 50,001-100,000    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 100-199          | <input type="checkbox"/> 10,001-25,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> More than 100,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 200-999          |  |  |

**15. Estimated assets**

- |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$0-\$50,000          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001-\$10 million | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000,001-\$1 billion     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001-\$100,000    | <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,001-\$50 million           | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,000,001-\$10 billion  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,001-\$500,000   | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000,001-\$100 million          | <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,000,001-\$50 billion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,001-\$1 million | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000,001-\$500 million         | <input type="checkbox"/> More than \$50 billion        |

**16. Estimated liabilities**

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$0-\$50,000          | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001-\$10 million             | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000,001-\$1 billion     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001-\$100,000    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,001-\$50 million | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,000,001-\$10 billion  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,001-\$500,000   | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000,001-\$100 million           | <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,000,001-\$50 billion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,001-\$1 million | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000,001-\$500 million          | <input type="checkbox"/> More than \$50 billion        |

**Request for Relief, Declaration, and Signatures**

**WARNING** -- Bankruptcy fraud is a serious crime. Making a false statement in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.

**17. Declaration and signature of authorized representative of debtor**

The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.

I have examined the information in this petition and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 04 12 2024  
MM / DD / YYYY

☒ CEP. Walker  
Signature of authorized representative of debtor

CHRISTOPHER WALKER  
Printed name

Title CEO

Debtor Ben's Creek Operations WV LLC

Name

Case number (if known)

18. Signature of attorney

X

Signature of attorney for debtor

Date

MM / DD / YYYY

James W. Lane, Jr.

Printed name

Flaherty Sensabaugh Bonasso PLLC

Firm name

200 Capitol Street

Number Street

Charleston

WV

25301

City

State

ZIP Code

304-205-6373

jlane@flahertylegal.com

Contact phone

Email address

6483

WV

Bar number

State

### Pending Bankruptcy Cases

Debtor: Ben's Creek Carbon LLC  
District: Southern District of West Virginia  
Relationship: Affiliate  
Date: 4/12/2024

Debtor: Ben's Creek Land WV LLC  
District: Southern District of West Virginia  
Relationship: Affiliate  
Date: 4/12/2024